

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 COME-00 SSO-00 AID-05 SS-15 PA-02

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FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4836

INFO AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

AMEMBASSY PANAMA

UNCLAS SAN JOSE 4080

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TGEN, XL, NOAA, CS

SUBJECT: TIDAL WAVE WARNING

REF: STATE 205352

1. ACTING ON BASIS INFORMATION PROVIDED REFTEL (WHICH  
EMBASSY PASSED TO GOCR DISASTER RELIEF OFFICE), GOCR

HAS DECLARED STATE OF ALERT ON ATLANTIC COAST. MINISTER  
OF HEALTH HERMAN WEINSTOK ANNOUNCED THE ALERT ON NATIONWIDE  
TV/RADIO ADDRESS AT 2000 HOURS LOCAL TIME, AUGUST 19.  
WEINSTOK MADE CLEAR THAT THERE WAS ONLY A REMOTE POSSIBILITY  
THAT A TIDAL WAVE MIGHT OCCUR AS A RESULT OF EXPECTED LA SOUFRIERE  
ERUPTION. GOCR NEVERTHELESS JUDGED IT PRUDENT THAT  
GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC TAKE PRELIMINARY ORGANIZATIONAL  
MEASURES IN EVENT EVACUATION OF COASTAL AREA BECOMES  
NECESSARY. WEINSTOK EXCHASIZED THAT GOCR WAS IN CONSTANT  
COMMUNICATION WITH U.S. METROLOGICAL SERVICE AND  
EXPECTED TO HAVE ADVANCE NOTICE SHOULD THE ERUPTION  
CAUSE A TIDAL WAVE.

2. VICE PRESIDENT CARLOS MANUEL CASTILLO AND WEINSTOK  
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HAVE REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY RELAY IMMEDIATELY ANY NEW  
INFORMATION ON SITUATION IN GUADALOUPE. WE HAVE  
PROMISED TO DO SO. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT  
FDRC OR OTHER APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT OFFICE ADVISE EMBASSY  
IMMEDIATELY OF ANY CHANGE IN GUADALOUPE SITUATION.  
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